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**James Monroe to Thomas Jefferson, August 29,  
1816, from Thomas Jefferson and James Monroe  
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29 Augt. 1816.

Jas Monroe's best respects to Mr. Jefferson.

Mr. Rush has just left me to bid you farewell, intending when he departed to set out on his return to Washington to morrow. If you can keep him, I will be happy to join with him, the party, from your house, on the visit to Mr. Divers. But if he proceeds on his journey, it is possible that my engagements with him, may prevent me. I will join you if in my power, & at an early hour.

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